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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0036] with the following paragraph:

[0036] FIG. 3A-3H are perspective views illustrating another exemplary data storage tape system 50 according to an embodiment of the invention. The embodiment depicted by FIGS. 3A-3H is similar to the embodiment depicted by FIGS. 1A-1H. However, system 50 does not require removal of data storage tape 54 from the proximity of head 52 in order to access both sides 55A, 55B of data storage tape 54. In particular, system 50 comprises a turntable 56 that rotates, and also moves up or down relative to the tape path of data storage tape 54. Accordingly, head ~~52~~¹² can be positioned in the tape path and removed from the tape path by raising and lowering turntable 56.

Please replace paragraph [0044] with the following paragraph:

[0044] Turntable 56 rotates head 52 to a second position ~~(74)~~, which may be approximately 180 degrees of rotation from the first position. At that point, head 52 contacts first side 55A of data storage tape 54 (as illustrated in FIG. 3C). Head 52 reads data from first side 55A or writes data to first side 55A of data storage tape 54.